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COVERING VOLUNTEERISM AND SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE COMMONWEALTH

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2004 GOVERNOR'S AWARDS

Spirit of community service honored at annual Governor's Awards ceremony

On April 21, Governor Ernie Fletcher and the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service announced the winners of the 2004 Governor's Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service at a presentation ceremony at the state Capitol building in Frankfort. A panel of judges with extensive volunteer and community service experience chose 17 winners in nine categories.

Governor Fletcher said volunteerism is synonymous with the pioneer spirit that built Kentucky. "The spirit of neighbor helping neighbor is as native to Kentucky as the Appalachians, as much a part of our culture as our beloved thoroughbreds," the Governor said. "It's an honor for me to salute these extraordinary people who are carrying on Kentucky's long, rich tradition of volunteerism and community service." The Governor's Office launched the awards program in 1975. Since 1995, it has been administered by the KCCVS.

Eileen Cackowski, KCCVS director, said Kentuckians volunteer at a rate higher than the national average (*see page 4 for the statistic*). "As a transplanted Kentuckian, I was initially struck by the helpfulness and willingness of Kentuckians to pitch in when there is a need," she said. "Each year's nominations for the Governor's Awards reinforce the fact that community service is both a birthright and a responsibility Kentuckians take very seriously."

Turn to pages 4 -6 to see the list of award recipients, pictures of the recipients, descriptions of their achievements, and a description of the Governor's Awards process!

AMERICORPS MID-WINTER TRAINING



March 30 for training that began with working with the state's Co-

AmeriCorps members from across the state gathered March 30 and April 1 for the annual Mid-Winter Training, although this year it should be called Spring Training! Members in the Western portion of the state met at Rough River State Resort Park

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operative Extension Service offices. Sessions were led by Denise Rennekamp. She shared information regarding all the programs and information available through the county extension service offices. Rennekamp also spoke on topics including literacy and reading, healthy eating and the Health Education through Extension Leadership (HEEL) program. Members enjoyed a buffet lunch at the park lodge where they reflected on their year of service to date. After lunch, everyone relaxed with a session of yoga led by Shawna Herron and Kris McClanahan from Yoga East in Louisville. The day wrapped up with a session called *Understanding Personality Differences* led by Mike King. Many members noted that they found the yoga lesson very relaxing, that there are great

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READ ACROSS AMERICA

Eastern Kentucky University SCCC/AmeriCorps member Eric Puckett at Pulaski Elementary School came up with several fun activities for the students and staff to promote reading as a fun activity. The school participated in the national Read Across America celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday in March and more importantly, they celebrated the power of reading.



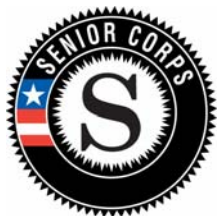
Several days of the designated week focused on a specific Dr. Seuss theme. Monday was Travel Day where students and staff were encouraged to dress up in clothing from a trip they had been on or dress as someone from a different culture. Thursday was Odd Footwear Day where faculty and students wore mismatched or "odd" socks and shoes. On Friday, many members of the staff and the children came to school dressed for bed for Pajama Day.

Guest readers were also a big part of the celebration. Readers were contacted in advance and scheduled to visit and share a Dr. Seuss story or a book that was special to them. Adults from all over Pulaski County participated. Puckett treated students who read, to an ice cream party for their participation. For Family Reads Night, families from all over the county were invited to come to the school for pizza and birthday cake in celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday. However, reading was the main course on the

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"GETTING THINGS DONE IN KENTUCKY"

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Throughout the newsletter are small bits for your enjoyment.
Keep an eye out for them.



The happy dancing man is always accompanied by a "funny." Lighten your mood a little with a short joke.



This thinking man is followed by wise witty words from many sources. Allow him to engage your mind.



This is accompanied by a brain teaser. Go ahead, see if you can catch the solution.



This icon indicates that interesting statistics follow. It also begs the question: are all things number? From the philosophy of Pythagoras who said, "all things are number."

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Mahatma Gandhi, as you know, walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet. He also ate very little, which made him rather frail and with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath. In other words, he could be called a ...? Turn to page 6 for the answer!



WHO WE ARE

KCCVS COMMISSIONERS

(In Alphabetical Order)

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KCCVS MISSION

To promote all Kentuckians working together to meet actual community needs in a way that fosters personal, family and community pride and an enduring ethic of service.

DID YOU KNOW?

- * Honey is the only food that will not spoil.
- * Grapes explode when you put them in the microwave.
- * Fifteen people are known to have been crushed to death tilting vending machines towards them in hopes of a free can of soda.
- * A person will burn 7% more calories if he/she walks on hard dirt compared to pavement.
- * Barbie's full name is Barbara Millicent Roberts.
- * Bats always turn left when exiting a cave.
- * When you walk down a steep hill, the pressure on your knees is equal to three times your body weight.
- * By recycling just one glass bottle, the amount of energy that is being saved is enough to light a 100 watt bulb for four hours.
- * A person swallows approximately 295 times while eating dinner.

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Editor: Shannon DeLong

MID-WINTER TRAINING (CONTINUED)

things happening with the county service extension offices and that understanding different personalities can be a whole lot of fun!



Members from the Eastern portion of the state met on April 1 at Natural Bridge State Resort Park for training. They started the day off with a session called *Continued Conversations on*

Cultural Diversity led by Doug Burgess and Krista Grievous. Members were asked to bring an item that represents their cultural heritage to share in small groups. Personal items included quilts, family Bibles, a golf trophy, and photo albums. Members braved the rain to enjoy lunch at the lodge and wrapped up the day with Mike King's session *Understanding Personality Differences*.

Thanks to Shannon Bailes and Sharon Williams for the great pictures of the sessions. If anyone else took pictures we would certainly appreciate copies. Also, a big thanks to all those that attended the sessions and to our great trainers/presenters!

Submitted by Melissa Newton, KCCVS Training Officer

COMMISSIONER SPOTLIGHT



Kitty Pilger, of Union, was appointed to the Kentucky Commission on Volunteerism and Service in 2004. A New Jersey native, Pilger has called this part of the country home for 20 years. She is currently Director of Volunteer Services for the St. Luke Hospitals in Northern Kentucky and previously worked as a human resources consultant in Cincinnati and in New Jersey as an employee relations manager and as a state government agency director.

Pilger has a bachelor's degree in sociology from Caldwell College and a master's degree in psychology from Montclair State University, both in New Jersey. She also studied art and Italian in Rome, Italy. Pilger has been active in volunteer work for many years. She is a member and past-president of Kentucky State and Greater Cincinnati Directors of Volunteer Services.

Married to husband Richard for 24 years, Pilger has six children and 11 grandchildren who range in age from 1 year to 26. Pilger says her life philosophy is to have a positive outlook. "I work hard but I love what I do so it makes it all worthwhile. I try to treat others as I want to be treated," she said.

She said she looks forward to serving KCCVS and wants to be an "integral part of the Commission and get involved in the programs we sponsor. Of course I have a lot of learning to do first!"

As a KCCVS commissioner, Pilger particularly enjoys the opportu-

nity to broaden her knowledge base beyond hospital volunteerism to many different kinds of service.

"I was thrilled and honored to be chosen by Governor Fletcher to serve on the (KCCVS). It has been very rewarding to me in the short time I have been involved."

We're so pleased to welcome Kitty Pilger aboard!

MACDUFF VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Revitalizing Volunteerism

On Tuesday, June 7 at the ALIVE Volunteer Center in Bowling Green, Nancy Macduff of Macduff/Bunt Associates Consulting and Training Services of Walla Walla, WA will be presenting a FREE workshop. Topics include information on volunteer team supervision, motivation and retention of volunteers, legal risks and successful episodic volunteer events.

To register, contact Cheryl Kirby-Stokes, ALIVE Center Director, at 270-782-0653. For more information about the ALIVE Center, visit their Web site at www.alivebg.org. For more information on Nancy Macduff visit the Macduff/Bunt Associates Web site at www.volunteertoday.com.

NATIONAL SERVICE HERO

Shante Carney, SSCC/AmeriCorps member, has been named a National Service Hero by the Corporation for National Service. Serving with the Student Service Consortium Center at her alma mater, Eastern Kentucky University, provides Carney the chance to practice her teaching skills. She tutors elementary students in reading during the school day, then runs after-school programs with fellow AmeriCorps members. The afternoon sessions include math and science, as well as reading. Several times a year, Carney participates in reading events.



For Make a Difference Day in the fall, she had 53 uniform-clad student athletes from the university read to all the classes from grade-appropriate, sports-related books before signing autographs for the children. She also coordinated a reading event March 2, Dr. Seuss's birthday and another on Earth Day. Carney also encourages volunteering throughout the school, inviting guest readers into classes and running a canned food drive that benefits the Salvation Army.

Once she completes her second year of AmeriCorps service, Carney plans to use her education awards to obtaining a master's degree in education to complement her undergraduate degrees in physical fitness and wellness management. She would like to teach physical education, but also wants to focus on the reading activities and after-school programs that she has been part of as an AmeriCorps member.

Submitted by Nancy Thames, Director, SSCC/AmeriCorps

2004 GOVERNOR'S AWARD RECIPIENTS

CHALLENGE ADULT AWARD

Cristel Hunt - Kimper/Pike County



A volunteer for Johns Creek Elementary and Pike Central High School, Cristel Hunt has overcome incredible obstacles to give her time and care to others. Beginning at home with her three children who require special care, Cristel extends her skill and knowledge as

a mother to children in the classroom. She sees potential where others see limitations.

INNOVATION YOUTH AWARD

Franz Ashton Inden - Harrodsburg/Mercer County

It wasn't a lemonade stand, but an antique mall booth where Franz learned the art of buying, selling and honest dealing. With profits from his sales, he financed a project that has provided white spruce trees, picnic tables and benches at Mercer County's Anderson Dean Park. His gifts are a living testament to hope for the future and peace, love and understanding for today to all who enjoy the beauty created by his generosity and volunteer spirit.



NON-PROFIT GROUP AWARD

Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky - Lexington/Statewide



To help shed light on the crime of child abuse, PCAK partnered to create "Promise Not to Tell, a Teachers' Guide to Recognizing and Responding to Child Sexual Abuse" – a training series for

teachers that included an informational binder for each public school teacher and a poster for each school. PCAK also distributed a poster featuring NFL stars for display in public schools and on Lex-Tran buses, reminding about 94,000 people a day that "Real Men Leave the Hittin' and Slammin' on the Field." Volunteers have contributed more than 16,986 hours to raise awareness of the issue of child abuse.



In America, 44% of adults volunteer.

Source: *Giving and Volunteering in the United States, 2001* by the Independent Sector

In Kentucky, 58% of adults volunteer.

Source: *The Road Ahead, 2002* by the Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center

CHALLENGE YOUTH AWARD

Amanda D. Knopfel - Murray/Calloway County



Eighth-grader Amanda has dedicated hundreds of hours to the Murray Animal Shelter where she unites lost pets with their owners, exercises, feeds and waters the animals and cleans cages. She is also a volunteer for "Bark in the Park," a local animal adoption campaign.

She believes all young people should volunteer and be involved in their communities.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (TIE)

Ronald Joseph Billings - Louisville/Jefferson County, presented posthumously

A childhood polio survivor, the late Ronald Billings had a successful career and traveled extensively long before there were laws making access a right for the disabled. Driven by his belief that a community is a stronger and better place to live and work when all citizens have full access, he dedicated his later years to volunteerism and community service and worked to make sure the rights of the disabled were included in Kentucky's Civil Rights Act. His widow, Ruth Billings, accepted the award on his behalf.



Faye LaVerne Brumley - Lawrenceburg/Anderson County



For a half-century, Faye Brumley has been a consummate volunteer in her community. She was a key figure in efforts to bring community education to Lawrenceburg and provided leadership and advocacy in the creation of the Apple Corps Volunteer program and the local Community of Promise. She has also served her church, various clubs, boards, the PTA and many non-profit organizations. Her volunteer hours number in the thousands. And she's nowhere near done yet.

NATIONAL SERVICE INDIVIDUAL AWARD

Aaron Hutson - Lexington/Fayette County

(Photo Not Available)

An AmeriCorps VISTA member, Aaron's volunteer service goes above and beyond the requirements of his program. He has volunteered more than 1,300 hours and recruited 42 volunteers for

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various community programs in Lexington. His extraordinary service has involved him in Kids' Cafés, Family Literacy Nights, science learning projects and computer literacy classes, all efforts to help others improve their own lives and future prospects.

INNOVATION ADULT AWARD (TIE)

Wallace Bryan Jr. - Hopkinsville/Christian County



It takes a special kind of spirit, a special kind of passion, to sell your safe, comfortable home and move to a high-crime, decaying neighborhood just to send a message. But that's just what former Hopkinsville Mayor Wallace Bryant Jr. did. When conventional efforts failed to reclaim the streets in an area of town

described as unsafe and hopeless, he tried a more unconventional method. By becoming a resident of that neighborhood, his spirit and passion to improve lives sparked a neighborhood revolution that resulted in a community where hope has been restored and residents are now proud to call home.

Mary Frances Miller - Versailles/Woodford County

Also earning the Innovation Adult award, Mary Frances Miller deserves the nickname "The Mail Carrier." Neither rain, nor sleet, nor heat, nor dark of night keeps this vivacious lady from her appointed rounds. She grocery shops, shuttles seniors to various appointments and volunteers at the senior center and the Woodford Adult Day Program. She also volunteers at her church as an usher, a member of the choir and a Vacation Bible School worker.



VOLUNTEER SUPPORT AWARD

The Best Grandparents in the World - Richmond/Madison County



Students at Mayfield Elementary School in Richmond are lucky and happy to have the love of grandparents, although the ties that bind these relationships have nothing to do with blood and DNA. AmeriCorps member Sandy Spaulding worked to pair academically challenged students with local senior citizens who were willing to share their knowledge, skill, patience and affection. Students and grandparents alike took more away from the experience than any of them expected.

NATIONAL SERVICE GROUP AWARD

USA Cares - Greater Louisville, Ft. Knox/Bullitt County, Radcliff/Hardin County



Kentucky has seen her share of military men and women deployed overseas. Sometimes the families left behind face difficulties. The national support program USA Cares was born when Louisville NBC affiliate, WAVE 3 TV, regional Kroger stores and the Ft. Knox Chapter of

the Association of the U S Army joined forces to help ease the strain and fill the needs of area military families. They see to it that cars are repaired, pantries are stocked, mortgages are paid, emergency travel is provided and home fires remain burning for loved ones on active duty.

CITIZENS CORPS INDIVIDUAL AWARD

Pamela Gillim - Owensboro/Daviess County

Pam Gillim was a member of the very first class of Community Emergency Response Team graduates in Daviess County, and since then she has continued to volunteer up to 20 hours a week as a member of the local Citizen Corps. She has assisted with each succeeding CERT class and volunteers with emergency management, law enforcement and search and rescue efforts, while working to ensure that Daviess Countians with disabilities are also served.



CITIZEN CORPS GROUP AWARD

Audubon Area RSVP Neighborhood Watch - Owensboro/Daviess County



When we think of protecting people in a hostile environment or security in a post 9-11 world, we usually do not think of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. Perhaps we should. In Kentucky, this organization is serving Homeland Security efforts to assist local law enforcement officials with Neighborhood Watch. Following 50 hours of training, these programs are credited with a 34 percent decrease in crime reported to the Sheriff's Office and 13 arrests on drug trafficking.



There is no exercise better for the heart than reaching down and lifting people up.

- John Andrew Holmes Jr. (1841-1935)
American writer and minister

2004 GOVERNOR'S AWARD RECIPIENTS

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IMPACT YOUTH AWARD

Elizabeth S. Singleton - Stearns/McCreary County



While attending a People to People International Youth Forum in Washington, D.C., 12-year-old Elizabeth was inspired to make a positive impact on her community. Aware that McCreary County is ranked 10th poorest in the nation, and aware that education is the key to success, she founded "Elizabeth's Dictionaries for Kids" with the goal to provide a dictionary to every third grader in the county. She did the math and set out to raise the \$2,556.80 she needed – and exceeded that goal, netting more than \$4,800. Her hard work and vision beyond her years have made it possible for the project to continue.

IMPACT ADULT AWARD

Margaret Mattingly - Owensboro/Daviess County

Founder of the soup kitchen in Owensboro, Margaret Mattingly is also a willing volunteer there, helping to serve an average of 80 people a day, seven days a week, in addition to helping prepare meals for local hospice patients. She coordinates program volunteers and duty assignments, makes sure there are adequate supplies, plans the meals and recruits new volunteers. At the age of 80, Margaret worries about who will follow her when she can no longer do this work. We trust that she will enjoy many more years of service and that her legacy will be generations of volunteers to continue her work well into the future. Her award was accepted by fellow volunteer, Betty Williams.



DIRECTOR OF VOLUNTEERS AWARD

Shirley Henderson - Somerset/Pulaski County



Shirley Henderson oversees a volunteer force of more than 2,000 serving the Pulaski County School District. A former volunteer herself, she knows the needs of volunteers and what it takes to make a good project/volunteer match. One of the hallmarks of her success is the low turnover rate among her volunteers. Many of the parents she recruits to work in classrooms remain long after their own children have been promoted or graduated. Shirley works to make sure the program is enriching, safe

and successful for the district, the schools, the parents and, of course, for the children.

SPECIAL TRAVELING AWARD

Bluegrass Rural Service Region - CHFS Department of Community Based Services



Last year KCCVS established a traveling award to honor the CHFS service region that collected the most beef stew for Kentucky's Make a Difference Day signature project. Last year's winner, the Bluegrass Rural Service Region, collected 51,068 ounces of beef stew - enough to feed more than 6,000 Kentuckians. Bluegrass decided that they wanted to keep the award for another year, so last year they collected more than 123,000 ounces of beef stew - enough to feed more than 15,000 Kentuckians.

GOVERNOR'S AWARDS PROCESS

1. Very caring nominators take the time to fill out a Governor's Volunteer Award form and write a narrative. Successful nominations follow the instructions.
2. The nominations arrive at KCCVS and are logged in by category.
3. This year, 15 judges from across Kentucky reviewed and voted on the nominations. Each nomination is read and scored independently by three judges. The judges use the same criteria in rating the nominations that is used to write the nominations. Each nomination receives a numerical score.
4. Judges then confer and finally vote for a single recipient in each award category.
5. Nominations are then made available to KCCVS staff.

The judges and the KCCVS staff would like to give awards to every nominee. We burst with pride when we read about the wonderful activities of our fellow Kentuckians.

For those who received awards, certificates and citations, thank you for what you do every day. Thank you for making Kentucky a better place to live because YOU live here.

To the nominators, thank you for taking the time to write a nomination. The forms go out again December and we hope to once again receive another awesome packet of wonderful volunteer activities.

Submitted by Eileen Cackowski, KCCVS Director



Answer from page 2: In other words, he could be called a "super calloused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis".



We could learn a lot from crayons:
some are sharp, some are pretty,
some are dull, some have weird names,
and all are different colors, but...
they all exist very nicely in the same box.

READ ACROSS AMERICA (CONTINUED)

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menu. The evening's big event was "Flashlight Reading." Families brought books, flashlights and blankets and sat together on the gym floor to read for about 30 minutes. Students played "Who Wants to be a Reading Millionaire" for

prizes, and books were given away.

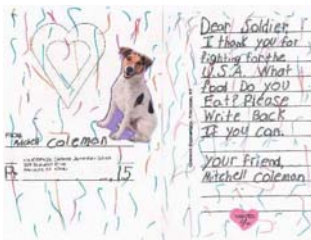
"Each year, our Family Reads celebration gets a little bigger and better," said Puckett.

Submitted by Nancy Thames, Director, SSCC/AmeriCorps

HEARTS FROM HOME

Dear Solider,
Happy Valentine's Day! Bless your
sweet soul. I like you people. You
bring joy and love.
Love, Kate

Dear Solider,
I am so proud of you all. Win for the
team! Thank you for protecting the
USA.
Love, Chas



Dear Solider,
How do you like it there? Do you
have any kids? Do you have any
hobbies? I am 10 years old. I can-
not wait for you to write back. Wish-
ing you love and protection.
Your Friend, Kaitlin

Words from home reflect the emotions of the hearts that penned these notes. Who would have known this service project would touch so many lives? More than 300 students enrolled in KYREADS/AmeriCorps in Barren, Caldwell, Marshall and Pulaski counties began the Hearts from Home service project that ultimately involved almost 2,000 additional students in sending Valentine's Day greetings to troops serving overseas.

The excitement began when students wrote Valentines to unknown soldiers and wondered if they would receive a response. They asked questions about the jobs their military Valentines performed, about their families and about their lives 'back home.' Val-

entines were sent to men and women serving in the US Army JAG Corps, a flight corps at Al Dhahran Air Base, United Arab Emirates, a combat support hospital in Baghdad and two National Guard Units serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Seeing the student's faces when they received responses from troops overseas was as satisfying for KYREADS/AmeriCorps members as it was for the students. Some students received coins from Afghanistan and a picture of one of the squadrons that received Valentines. Soldiers wrote about their jobs, the weather there and how many miles their letters had to travel (8,000). For the students, they were pleased to learn their cards were appreciated and that the soldiers who received them were proud to represent the USA.



Most of the students in KYREADS/AmeriCorps will continue to correspond with soldiers. All of the students are learning about life around us and supporting those who work to protect us. They are excited to be a part of what is happening in Iraq, Afghanistan and United Arab Emirates and are proud that they can bring a little bit of home to our brave service men and women so far away from home.



Submitted by Shannon Bailes, Director, KYREADS/AmeriCorps

REGIONAL AUTISM CONFERENCE

The 2005 Regional Autism Institute Conference is scheduled for June 15-17 at the Kentucky International Convention Center in Louisville. The conference is presented by Kentucky Autism Training Center (KATC) and the Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI).

This three-day, multi-track conference will feature presentations by Brenda Smith Myles, Ph.D. and Peter Gerhardt, Ed. D., as well as a keynote speech and workshop session by Julie A. Donnelly, Ph.D. These, along with many other distinguished presenters, will address topics such as *Verbal Behavior Strategies Integrated into the Classroom*, *Preparing for Medical Appointments*, *Special Needs Trusts* and many others. Please be aware that during this conference, there will be a FREE session, *Using A Collaborative Volunteer Model To Promote Inclusion In Community Recreational Activities* on June 17 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

More information, including a registration form, is available online at KATC's Web site, www.kyautism.com. Additional information about the 2005 Autism Institute Conference can be obtained by contacting Kristen Frarey at kristen.frarey@louisville.edu or calling 1-800-334-8635, ext. 852-4631.

Submitted by Rebecca Grau, Kentucky Autism Training Center



WHAT'S ON OUR CALENDAR?

MAY/JUNE/JULY/AUGUST

2005

- * May 1 - Start of National Scholarship Month, www.nationalscholarshipmonth.org
- * May 7 - Join Hands Day, www.joinhandsday.org
- * May 8 - Mother's Day
- * May 11 - AmeriCorps Program Directors Meeting, Frankfort
- * May 18-19 - Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky Annual Conference, Lexington, www.hhck.org
- * May 30 - Memorial Day
- * June 7 - "Revitalizing Volunteerism" Macduff Training, Bowling Green, see pg. 3
- * June 14-17 - Cross Streams Conference, Nashville
- * June 15-17 - Regional Autism Conference, Louisville, see pg. 7
- * June 21 - Summer Solstice
- * July 4 - Independence Day
- * July 13-15 - Great Kids Summit, www.kychildnow.org/summit/

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Kentucky is a place where spirits are free to soar and big dreams can be fulfilled. We relish competition and cherish our champions for their willingness to push beyond conventional boundaries to reach new heights of success.



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